

Equality Impact Assessment

Subject of assessment:	Stainton & Thornton Draft Neighbourhood Plan – Independent Examiner’s Report & Recommendations			
Coverage:	Stainton & Thornton designated Neighbourhood Area.			
This is a decision relating to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy	<input type="checkbox"/> Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Function
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure	<input type="checkbox"/> Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Review
	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisational change	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state)		
It is a:	New approach:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Revision of an existing approach:	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is driven by:	Legislation:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Local or corporate requirements:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Description:	<p>Key aims, objectives and activities</p> <p>To enable town councils, parish councils and designated neighbourhood forums to prepare Neighbourhood Plans, that puts in place a vision and general planning polices for the development, and use of land in their designated neighbourhood area.</p> <p>Statutory drivers</p> <p>Neighbourhood Planning forms part of the statutory process under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011) and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).</p> <p>Differences from any previous approach</p> <p>This is to approve the draft Stainton & Thornton Neighbourhood Plan, incorporating the recommendations of the Independent Examiner’s Report, in order to progress the draft Plan to the next stage in the Neighbourhood Planning process, in accordance with the above Regulations.</p> <p>Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries (internal and external as appropriate)</p> <p>The key stakeholders are local communities.</p> <p>Intended outcomes.</p> <p>To allow local communities to shape new development and improving the social, economic and environmental well-being of their neighbourhood.</p>			
Live date:	Upon approval			
Lifespan:	N/A			
Date of next review:	N/A			

Screening questions	Response			Evidence
	No	Yes	Uncertain	
Human Rights Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation? *	☒	☐	☐	The recommendations set-out in the attached Council report accord with procedural guidelines of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, to assist Local Authorities in the adoption of Neighbourhood Plans, submitted by and in consultation with local communities, and therefore will not have any implications on human rights.
Equality Could the decision result in adverse differential impacts on groups or individuals with characteristics protected in UK equality law? Could the decision impact differently on other commonly disadvantaged groups? *	☒	☐	☐	The recommendations set-out in the attached Executive report accord with procedural guidelines of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, to assist Local Authorities in the adoption of Neighbourhood Plans, submitted by and in consultation with local communities, and therefore will not have any implications on equality.
Community cohesion Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town? *	☒	☐	☐	The recommendations set-out in the attached Executive report accord with procedural guidelines of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, to assist Local Authorities in the adoption of Neighbourhood Plans, submitted by and in consultation with local communities, and therefore will not have any implications on community cohesion.
Next steps: ➡ If the answer to all of the above screening questions is No then the process is completed. ➡ If the answer of any of the questions is Yes or Uncertain, then a Level 2 Full Impact Assessment must be completed.				

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Date:	01/01/2022	Date:	01/01/2022

* Consult the Impact Assessment further guidance appendix for details on the issues covered by each of these broad questions prior to completion.

